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For: SURGICAL ACCESS DEVICE

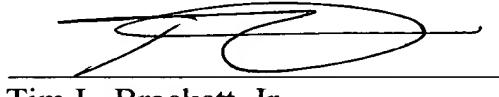
ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 C.F.R. §1.27(c)(1))

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Sir:

Applicant hereby states that applicant is a small entity and that status as a small entity is asserted for this application.

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is one (1) replacement sheet of formal drawings (Figs. 1-2) for review by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application. The attached formal drawings replace the original sheet consisting of Figs. 1-2. Should the attached drawings require changes, it is respectfully requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office notify the undersigned attorney of same.

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